

**MINUTES TREE RE-ESTABLISHMENT
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Thursday 25 October 2018
2.00pm**

Meeting Room 1, City of Darwin Civic Centre

1. MEMBERS ATTENDING

Dr Greg Leach	Chair
Ms Fiona Eddleston	Australian Institute Landscape Architects
Mr Simon Smith	Nursery and Garden Industry NT
Cr Peter Pangquee	City of Darwin Elected Member
Mr Adam Grainger	Community member
Mr Nik Kleine	Observer - City of Darwin
Mr Chris Bailey	Observer - City of Darwin
Ms Sheree Jeeves	Observer - City of Darwin
Secretarial	
Ms Janine Honner	City of Darwin

APOLOGIES

Mr Richard Kenyon	NT Arboriculture Association
Mr Tony Cox	Community member
Mr Jamie Lewis	City of Darwin – Technical Officer
Mr Edan Fisher	Co-opted member
Mr Glen Brady	Observer - DIPL

2. WELCOME

TRAC acknowledges the Larrakia people - the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which the meeting is held. TRAC pays respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

3. MINUTES OF MEETING 8

The minutes of the previous TRAC meeting held on Thursday 18/10/2018 and this meeting held on Thursday 25/10/2018 are received and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

4. MATTERS ARISING – ACTION LIST

Outstanding actions were reviewed noting that the only remaining actions related to submission of the report to Council which was on the agenda for discussion.

5. TREE LIST – SPECIES AND ATTRIBUTES

Darwin Botanic Gardens report

The committee reviewed the report and noted that the observations in the Botanic Gardens provided strong support for the rankings as already determined by the committee. No changes were recommended to the TRAC tree list.

Submission by Sean Kennedy

Ficus benghalensis was added to the tree list as low resilience, not to be planted, invasive. Subsequent to the meeting, further research from Townsville indicates the species has a high cyclone resilience. Some dispute as to extent of invasiveness was noted.

6. ESTABLISHING A RESILIENT URBAN FOREST FOR DARWIN : BEST PRACTICE GUIDELINES REPORT

Draft prepared by Fiona – final discussion and endorsement

Fiona to complete images and text and forward to Chris by COB Monday 29/10/18.

Fiona noted a number of edits provided by the committee members – these will be included in another draft.

7. SUBMISSION TO CITY OF DARWIN PROCESS

Nik Kleine and Chris Bailey to present

Committee was advised that Chris Bailey will prepare a covering document for the report to go to Council. Sheree will prepare the community consultation document to be also presented to Council along with the TRAC report. It was noted that Greg might be invited to attend the Council meeting and that committee member were welcome to attend as the meeting is open to the public.

8. GENERAL BUSINESS.

As this was the last meeting of TRAC, Nik and Chris thanked the committee and noted it was a commendable output. Greg as Chair thanked the committee members for their efforts and acknowledged that the committee had worked in a highly collegiate manner and had been a very productive committee. The Chair especially thanked Janine Honner for her efforts beyond the scheduled meetings in preparing documents and assisting the chair with the meeting logistics. Simon Smith on behalf of the committee members thanked the Chair for guiding the committee in producing a report that not only met the Terms of Reference but would hopefully continue to be a valuable document that would produce a resilient urban forest for Darwin.